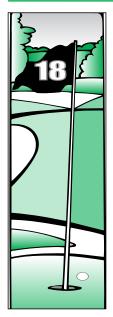
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ANNUAL "BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT DAY" GOLF TOURNAMENT

Dust off the clubs and get ready for another business development golf tournament. This year's tournament will be held at Rum River Hills Golf Club in Ramsey on Wednesday, June 18th.

Besides the opportunity to golf, it is an excellent event to network with businesses in Andover.

At the end of the day there will be a dinner and prize awards.

Everyone who registers in full by May 23rd will receive a certificate for a free round of golf from Rum River Hills Golf Club for use later in 2014.

12th Annual Andover "Business Development Day" Golf Tournament

Date: Wednesday, June 18th

Time: Registration - 11:30 a.m.

Shotgun Start Tee-off: 12:30 p.m.

Place: Rum River Hills Golf Club

Fee: \$70 per person includes golf, cart and dinner

Dinner & Program: 5:30 p.m.

Call the City for details and/or to get a flyer - (763) 767-5141

ANDOVER'S 5™ ANNUAL CITY WIDE GARAGE SALE

May 15th – 17th (Thursday – Saturday) Sale Hours: 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Registration deadline is May 9th.

Maps will be available on the City's website and at City Hall by May 14th. There is no cost to participate. Advertising will be on the City's website, Craigslist and other free sites.

Salvation Army will be at the Community Center with a truck on May 18th from 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. for any unsold household items you may like to donate.





2014 CITY WIDE GARAGE SALE REGISTRATION FORM

Name:						_
Address:		City:			Zip:	_
Phone (H):	W#:			Cell #:		_
Email address:						_
Items for sale (l	list up to 5 items):					_
Days of Sale:	(Please circle that all apply)	Thursday	Friday	Saturday		
Signature			Date			

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CITY OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED MAY 26th IN OBSERVANCE OF MEMORIAL DAY.



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HAPPY Mother's Day

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COUNCIL MEMBER'S REPORT

Mike Knight

As the sun climbs higher in the sky, we come out of the doldrums of a winter that has been long, cold and dreary. It

has been the winter of our discontent. By the time you read this spring should be here with summer not far behind.

So, even as we lament the discomfort of the Minnesota winter, positive things are starting to move forward with the climbing of the sun. There are indicators that we will have more development activity this summer in Andover. Developers have submitted plans for potential home building in three areas.

A sketch plan of 99 residential lots for Winslow Woods is on the table. It is east of Hanson Boulevard NW and south of Crosstown Boulevard NW and west of the railroad tracks. The sketch plan is being developed with hopes of starting this summer.

Still another plat has been submitted for the Catchers Creek development. This is a plan for 70 lots and near the Coon Creek and south of Andover Boulevard NW.

The third plat is an 18 lot development near Prairie Road NW and just north of Bunker Lake Boulevard NW, called Carson Ridge.

Andover has also attracted a major company. Measurement Specialties will be locating on the northwest corner of Jay Street NW and Hanson Boulevard NW. The company will be producing sensers of various kinds and will be employing up to 175 people.

So it would seem that the economy is showing signs of picking up and more development is on the table. Andover has shown to have a reputation of being a desirable place to live and potential development this summer is showing that.

The City has completed a phone survey of the residents to get some feedback on the issue of quality of life in Andover and to help decide on future improvements in our City. It was done on a random basis, if you happen to be one of those called, you were asked questions pertaining to how the City is working and how to improve it. We appreciate your cooperation and feedback and will use the results for future City planning.

As mentioned, this has been an unusually strong, cold and dreary winter. It created some real challenges for our City street crews as they struggled to maintain and fix our streets. It required long hours, many of them late at night, to keep our streets open and drivable. The freezing-thawing cycle caused potholes everywhere. Our crews, working along with the County street workers, struggled with snowplowing and removing, pothole repair, fire hydrant clearing and salting.

As homeowners, most of us have had similar problems with our own property this winter, so we should be able to relate to their efforts, City crews are to be commended for their work. Despite the discomfort of darkness and cold, their dedication to their job kept our streets open and safe.

And a final note: The North Suburban Home Improvement Show on March 22nd was a huge success. We had our best attendance ever with 1,800 people coming to the one day event.

It's another reason why Andover is a good place to live.

DIABETES RESOURCE GROUP

ANDOVER YMCA • 15200 HANSON BLVD. NW • (763) 230-9622 • 6:30 P.M.-8:00 P.M.

May 6^{th} – Technology --All about insulin pumps and sensors. We plan to have representatives from the different pump and sensor companies at this meeting. Bring any family or friends that are interested in learning more about this.

No summer meetings-restart in September. If you have any questions please contact Shirley Matuseski at (763) 236-1434.

SENIOR SENSE

The Andover Senior Center is located at 1685 Crosstown Boulevard NW. The center is at the north end of City Hall.

We meet on the 1st Monday of the month with a potluck lunch at 12:00, followed by our meeting and ending with bingo games. We also meet on the 3rd Monday of the month at 11:30 to play bingo and have an afternoon of fun.

If you wish to play cards, there are members

who meet every Friday to play cribbage. Other members may join them on those days to play any card games they wish.

We offer a trip to Turtle Lake Casino every other month. The bus picks you up at the center

For more information contact us at (763) 754-0963 or visit us at the center.

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PIZZA RANCH GRAND OPENING



ANDOVER'S NEW BUSINESSES

Integra Dental 13783 Ibis St. NW, Suite 400 (763) 710-7095 Integradentalmn.com Today's Window Fashions 13416 Hanson Blvd. NW (763) 205-5780 www.twfmn.com

FIRST-TIME HOMEBUYER LOAN PROGRAM

The 2014 Start Up Program for first time homebuyers started on March 15, 2014. The Minnesota Housing Finance Agency (MHFA) has allocated \$5,770,676 to Anoka County. The program will run to November 15, 2014. MHFA offers mortgage programs that provide affordable interest rate loans to eligible

first time homebuyers. To qualify you must be a first-time homebuyer (or have not owned a home in the past three years), meet the requirements for income and home purchase price lists and have acceptable credit. Questions call Linda at (763) 323-5764.

STREET PAVING OVERLAYS

The City has been committed for many years to continue the upkeep on the streets within the community as identified in the 5 Year Capital Improvement Plan. The importance of this program is to maintain the integrity and value of the streets. Upkeep and maintenance projects include seal coat, crack sealing and total reconstruction.

In 2015, overlays will be added to the program. The overlay of a road consists of paving a one and a half inch layer of bituminous over the existing roadway. The difference between an overlay and a reconstruction is that in a reconstruction project the entire pavement is ground up and a new three inch section of pavement is placed. Reconstruction occurs when the road has failed and has an alligator look to it which is called fatigue cracking. An overlay would not be a cost effective restoration in this case because the cracks would reflect through within a few years.

Overlays are a cost effective method to prolong the life of the road 15 to 20 years. The cost is about one-third of a

reconstruction project. Roads that will be selected for this program will be roads that are about 15 years in age and do not have signs of fatigue cracking.

The City Council is proposing to assess overlay projects to the benefitting properties similar to the assessment for reconstruction projects. Currently the City's Assessment Policy identifies an assessment rate of 25% of the project cost for reconstruction projects and the City Council is considering the same 25% for overlays. Depending on the size of the lots in each development, the assessment cost would range from \$600 for urban lots to \$1800 for rural lots.

The City Council will be discussing this in workshops this spring and summer.

If you have questions regarding the 2015 Overlay Program, please contact David Berkowitz at (763) 767-5133.

COMMUNITY GROUPS

Andover Women of Today: (763) 516-6283

Andover/Ramsey Moms Club:

www.ourmomsclub.org

Andover Seniors: (763) 754-0963

TOPS Club:

(763) 757-5822

Andover High School Football Boosters:

(763) 506-8555

Andover Lions:

(763) 286-9782 or (763) 434-9403 for membership interest/questions

DFL Meetings: (763) 434-1394

Republican Meetings:

(763) 712-5378

Moms In Touch:

Moms praying for their children & local schools.
(763) 757-0111
www. MomsinTouch.org

Lamplighters 4-H Club:

Marsha Rouch (763) 862-8969

(Many others; please visit the City of Andover's website and click on the Community Info. Tab.)

ANDOVER R.C. BOAT CLUB MEETINGS ANDOVER STATION TARGET POND SUNDAYS 3:00 P.M.-5:00 P.M.

2014 Schedule: Jun 1st, 15th & 29th. July 13th & 27th. August 10th & 24th. September 7th & .21st. The 21st of September will be a Light up the Boat Night, for the time Google Andover R.C. Boat Club.

RABIES VACCINATION CLINIC

The annual rabies vaccination clinic will be held on Saturday, May 3rd, from 9:00 a.m. - Noon, at the Andover Public Works Building, 1785 Crosstown Boulevard NW, Andover. A variety of vaccinations will be given to both dogs and cats. Make sure your animals are restrained when you arrive. You do not need to be a resident of Andover to have your dogs or cats vaccinated.

City dog licenses (required in Andover) will also be for sale. The cost is \$12 for a 2- year license.

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INTRODUCTION TO ICE LESSONS

Have you ever wanted to try ice skating, but not sure where to start? The Andover Community Center Ice Arena will be offering an introduction to ice program for students ages 3 – Adult. This 30 minute class is designed for students who have no skating experience. Students will learn the basics of ice skating through age appropriate activities, with games and music for the younger students. The introduction to ice program will be held Wednesday evenings, July 2, 9 and 16. The cost for this 3 week session is \$30 per student. Skate rental is available for those needing skates. For program information and to register on-line, visit www.andovermn.gov/acc

ANDOVER SKATE SCHOOL - ICE SKATING LESSONS

Summer Learn to Ice Skate Lessons will be held June 17 – July 3 on Tuesday and Thursday evenings (6 sessions) \$69. Classes offered are: Parents & Little Skaters (PALS), Basic, Freestyle and Pre-Teen/Adult. Class descriptions and registration available online at www.andovermn.gov/acc Class sizes are limited and registrations will be accepted on a first-come, first serve basis. Registration will remain open until classes have filled.

PICKLEBALL

New Summer Hours! Indoor Pickleball will be offered most Saturday mornings starting in May and most Tuesday evenings starting in June. Pickleball is a combination of tennis, badminton, ping pong and racquetball. Easy to learn, great exercise and lots of fun for all ages. The game is played on a badminton court with the net lowered to 34 inches at the center. It is played with a perforated plastic baseball (similar to a whiffle ball) and wood or composite paddles. It is easy for beginners to learn, but can develop into a quick, fast-paced, competitive game for experienced players. Admission is \$4 or purchase a \$30 punch card for \$25. Sign in and pay admissions at the information desk next to the ice arena. Bring your own paddle or we do have a few on-hand you may borrow. Dates/Times are published on the Andover Community Center Field House (gym) Schedule. Schedules are located in lobby racks and at www.andovermn.gov/acc

15200 Hanson Blvd. NW Andover, MN 55304

Phone: (763) 767-5100 • Fax: (763) 755-2129

Website: www.andovermn.gov/acc

Email: accinfo@andovermn.gov

ACTIVE OLDER ADULT OPPORTUNITIES!!

Monthly activities for active older adults include; pot-lucks, book club, walking club, educational seminars and classes, bingo and fitness opportunities. AOA activity calendars are available at the Andover YMCA Community Center and at www.andovermn.gov/acc For more information contact Jodi Blowers, YMCA (763) 230-6552. You do not need to be a member of the YMCA to participate in many of these activities.

INDOOR WALKING CLUB

Indoor walking club meets Monday – Friday, 5:00 am – 9:30 am through June 2nd. Walking Club members sign-in at the YMCA front desk each morning and walk around the perimeter of the community center field house. Beginning June 9th, summer indoor walking hours will be Monday - Friday 5:00 am – 7:00 am only. Questions, please contact the YMCA at (763) 230-9622 or the Community Center at (763) 767-5100.

BIRTHDAY PARTY PACKAGES, GROUP ACTIVITIES & SPECIAL EVENTS

Don't forget about the Andover Community Center when organizing your next birthday party, group activity or field trip. Meeting room rentals, ice skating and gym activity packages available. Contact the Andover Community Center at (763) 767-5100 or view party package flyer on our website www.andovermn.gov/acc

OPEN GYM AND OPEN SKATE/HOCKEY

You do not need to be a YMCA member to participate in our open gym/basketball and open skate/hockey. Adult Hockey will continue through July and will be held most Mondays & Wednesdays. Available times and daily admission fees are included on our monthly schedules www.andovermn.gov/acc or contact us if you would like to receive this information by mail.

FUN FEST CRAFT & GIFT SALE EXIBITORS WANTED

The Andover Family Fun Fest Craft & Gift Sale will take place indoors at the Andover Community Center Field House on Saturday, July 12th. If you are interested in participating as a crafter, registration materials are available at www.andovermn.gov and click on Fun Fest 2014. All new crafters must make the product they are selling.

PARK PLACE

Todd J. Haas, Assistant Public Works Director destination to another. Below is example what they generally will look like.

After experiencing a snowy and one of the coldest winters on record, everyone is ready to get outside and be active. Activities steadily increase as winter leaves us, walking, running or riding bike. With numerous County and City trail opportunities available and so many places to visit including businesses, schools and parks throughout Andover, residents will notice a new addition to the trail system later on this spring and summer. That new addition is way finding signs, used to convey location and directions to travelers. They will also provide distances to users so they can get an idea how far it is from one



The City is always looking to enhance trail corridors and connecting links as the community continues to develop.

If you want

information about trails around your home or throughout the City, go to the City's website www.andovermn.gov or stop by City Hall to receive a free park and trail map. Another good source to visit the parks and trails County wide is to visit the following website at www.gis.anokacountymn.gov/go-anoka/

I hope everyone gets an opportunity to get out and ride some of our City trails whether it is for fun, riding to work or exercise. Ride smart and be safe.

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ANDOVER FAMILY FUN FEST

Nancy DeSteno, AFFF Coordinator

Imagine yourself at the Andover Family Fun Fest, Friday July 11th and Saturday, July 12th. The sun is shining brightly and it feels warm, as a mid-July day should. Hear the sounds of children's laughter at the Magic Bounce Fun Zone as they play on the array of inflatables. See the many faces walking around the grounds near City Hall, inside and out at the Community Center and around Andover Elementary School. These are your neighbors, friends and family, all

out for a fun, social day. Taste the corn dog, cheese curds or cotton candy that you have been waiting all year to enjoy. These, as well as many others, are the flavors of a summer festival. Pet the mini-donkeys that happily pull children in the mini-cart alongside the Community Center. Free rides for the kids.

As the sunlight fades and the bright moon comes out you will be enjoying the evening bands, both Friday and Saturday. Stay until 10:00 p.m. on Saturday and experience a more spectacular than ever display of fireworks.

Look for more information on the City's website. www.andovermn.gov click on Fun Fest 2014. Applications for the parade, community booths, craft and gift show, baby crawling contest, fun run, fund raising booths and other information are all available there. See you at the Fun Fest!

COMMUNITY GARDEN UPDATE

By the time you receive this newsletter, more than 85% of the plots will most likely have been sold for the upcoming season. Only small plots (10 ft. x 15 ft.) are available. The large and medium plots are sold out for the upcoming 2014 season. Anyone interested in renting a small plot can stop by City Hall to fill out the application and pay the required fee. The applications are also available on the City of Andover's website at www.andovermn.gov

If you have questions about the Community Garden Plot, feel free to stop by City Hall or contact Todd Haas at the City at (763) 767-5131.



THE FIX-IT CLINIC

May 3rd, 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Andover Community Center 15200 Hanson Boulevard NW



Please contact Cindy
DeRuyter at c.deruyter@
andovermn.gov or (763)
767-5114 with questions (or to volunteer as a fixer coach.



ACCAP CHORES & MORE

Over 60??

Your one stop shopping for:
Minor Home Repairs
Housekeeping
Seasonal Chores
Call Ann or Judy at (763) 767-6521

Funding is provided by the older American Act Grant through the Minnesota Board on Aging and the Metro Area Agency on Aging. Chores & More is a program of the Anoka County Community Action Program with funding from the cities of Anoka and Coon Rapids. ACCAP Chores & More does not discriminate based upon a persons, race, color, national origin, sexual preference, or religious affiliation.

ELECTION 2014: CITIES TO PROVIDE IN PERSON ABSENTEE BALLOT SERVICES

Anoka County residents who are unable to go to their polling place on Primary or General Election Day may cast an absentee ballot by mail or in person during the 46 days prior to each election.

Voters who prefer to cast their absentee ballot in person may vote at the city hall of the City in which they reside during regular office hours. (Check with your City to confirm office hours.) In person absentee balloting will also be available at city halls on the Saturday prior to each election from 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. and until 5:00 p.m. the day before each election.

The absentee balloting period for the August 12th Primary Election runs from Friday, June 27th through Monday, August 11th. For the November 4th General Election, absentee balloting will take place between Friday, September 19th & Monday, November 3rd.

Absentee voting is allowed if the voter:

- will be absent from his or her precinct on Election Day;
- is ill or disabled;
- is serving as an election judge in another precinct; or
- If a religious discipline or religious holiday or observance
- prevents a voter from voting on Election Day;
- An eligible emergency declared by the governor or quarantine declared by the federal or state government prevents voting on Election Day.

Voters who wish to vote absentee by mail can download the absentee ballot application any time at www.anokacounty.us/absenteevoting. Voters also can call (763) 323-5275 to have an absentee ballot application sent to them.

Anoka County will continue to offer both in person and mail absentee balloting services to any Anoka County resident during the absentee balloting periods noted above. Anoka County's Election Office is open weekdays from 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; from 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. the Saturday before the election; and until 5:00 p.m. the day before the election. For more information about elections and voter registration, go to www.anokacounty.us/elections

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ANDOVER'S 18th ANNUAL 5K FUN RUN/WALK SATURDAY, JULY 12th

WHEN: •8:00 a.m. 5K Open

(Certified Course, 3.1 miles)

• 9:00 a.m. Kids Fun Run (.5 mile)

Rain or Shine! The Kids run is free, no need to register, just show up.

WHERE: At the Andover City Hall Complex located at 1685 Crosstown Blvd. NW - just west of Hanson Blvd. Take Hanson Blvd. north from Hwy. 10 in Coon Rapids. Turn left on

Crosstown Blvd., Crosstown Blvd. is 1½ miles north of Bunker Lake Blvd. (Co. Rd. 116).

REGISTRATION 5K - \$20.00 (\$25.00 after July 9) Race day registration 7:00 a.m. to 7:45 a.m. Online: www.andovermn.gov thru July 9.

ENTRY FEE: Online: <u>www.anaovermn.gov</u> thru July 9. The kids run is free, no need to register, just show up.

PRIZESThe first 500 5k registrants are guaranteed a Moisture Wicking t-shirt on race day. Later registrants can pick up t-shirts the following week. All registered participants are entered for door prizes drawing. Must be presented for door prizes drawing. Must be presented for door prizes drawing.

registered participants are entered for door prizes drawing. Must be present to win. Trophy to first man and woman to cross finish line and age group

awards.

REFRESHMENTS: Refreshments at finish.

• Call Cindy at (763) 767-5114. • For Kids Fun Run call Kirk at (763) 230-6534.

HOW TO REGISTER:

Complete the registration form along with your check (payable to: Andover Family Fun Fest) and mail to:

Andover Fun Run City of Andover 1685 Crosstown Blvd. NW Andover, MN 55304

*** OFFICIAL REGISTRATION FORM ***									
Name:									
Address:									
City:		State:	Zip:						
Age on race day:	Phone:	Sex: \square M \square F	T-SHIRT SIZE (circle one):	S M	L XL				
Knowingly and at my own risk I do hereby apply to enter an athletic contest. I hereby agree that I release and discharge the City of Andover, Andover Family Fun Fest Committee, and other parties associated with the Andover Family Fun Fest 5K Fun Run/Walk from all claims, demands, injuries, damages, actions or causes of action from all acts of active or passive negligence on the part of such corporation, organization, clubs, their servants, agents or employees, and hereby assume all the risks associated with my participation in the event. Further, I hereby grant full permission to any and all of the foregoing to use my name, likeness and voice, as well as any photographs, videotape, motion pictures, recordings and any other record of this event in which I may appear for any legitimate purpose including broadcast of the event, the reuse in any media of this broadcast and in advertising and promotion.									
SIGNATURE			CO-SIGNATURE						
						GUARDIAN IF UNDER 18)			

2014 ANDOVER YOUTH FOOTBALL REGISTRATION

Grades: K – 8
ONLINE REGISTRATION
ONLY

www.andoverfootball.org

May1st-June 12th





SOLICITORS

Solicitors, peddlers and transient merchants are required to carry a permit approved by the City. If someone approaches you at your home or if someone is selling on a street corner, you can ask if they have a permit from the City. If they do not, call the non-emergency police number at (763) 427-1212 to report them.

BIKE HELMET CLINIC

Bring the whole family and have your bike helmets fit! Safe Kids Anoka

County and the Anoka County Sheriff's Office are hosting a fitting clinic on May 20th from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. We will fit helmets you already own or you can purchase a new bell helmet for \$13 if needed. Cash and checks only – no appointment is necessary. For more details check out www.safekidsanoka.org



SAFETY CAMP • JUNE 17[™] & 18[™]

The ACSO in collaboration with the Andover and Ham Lake Fire Departments will be hosting a 2-day Safety Camp for kids in 3rd and 4th grades. Camp will be hosted at the Andover Community Center and registration is \$30. For more information about the camp and the registration form log on to www.anokacounty.us/crimewatch or contact the Sheriff's Office at (763) 767-4671.

NATURE'S WAY OF RECYCLING-RAIN BARRELS AND COMPOST BINS

Order online from the Recycling Association of Minnesota at www.recycleminnesota.org then pick up your pre-ordered rain barrel & compost bin in Coon Rapids on Saturday, June 14th!



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WATER RESTRICTIONS

The City has in place watering restrictions that will allow everyone to water their grass and shrubs and maintain an adequate water system. These restrictions start every year on May 1st and runs through August 31st. The City allows watering or sprinkling of lawns at homes with even addresses on even days, and homes with addresses that have odd numbers on odd days, but only outside the total afternoon ban time. Vegetable gardens may be watered any day, outside the full afternoon

ban time. Bushes and flowers may be watered with a handheld hose as needed. New sod is exempt for the first two weeks from day, but not hour, restrictions. The restricted hours are from noon to 6:00 p.m. every day. Stiff fines are assessed for violations. For more information about the restrictions, please checkout the City web site at www.andovermn. gov - Summer Water Restriction Information - City of Andover Code 10-1-13 Deficiency of Water or call City Hall at (763) 755-5100.

GROUNDWATER: IT'S A GROWING CONCERN!

The Coon Creek Watershed District (CCWD) has seen a trend in declining surficial groundwater, those aquifers located within 100 feet or so of the surface. We are concerned about potential impacts on wetlands, lakes, and streams and their ecosystems. This decline is one of top 3 issues in our 2013-2023 Comprehensive Management Plan.

It's Up to You to Help!

Go to our website, cooncreekwd.org, to find the short article on what You can do to help replenish our groundwater,

Or, go directly: www.moourl.com/groundwater

2014 STREET CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

2014 Street Reconstruction

Every year the City prepares a 5 Year Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) which includes the annual Street Reconstruction program. This program maintains the integrity and value of the community's streets. Seventy-five percent of the project costs are funded through the City's Road and Bridge Fund. Twenty-five percent of the project costs are assessed to the benefiting properties fronting along the improvements.

159th Avenue from Makah Street to CSAH 7 and Makah Street from 159th Avenue to CSAH 7 are identified for reconstruction in 2014 (see adjacent map). The projects will consist of reclaiming the existing roadways, constructing concrete curb and gutter, storm sewer improvements, and paving new asphalt surfaces. An existing 36" culvert that is under 159th Avenue just west of CSAH 7 will be replaced with this project. 159th Avenue will need to be closed and detoured while this culvert replacement is taking place. Makah Street improvements will begin in early to mid May, and the 159th Avenue road closure and

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improvements will begin once school is out in early June.

Overlay Projects Planned for 2014

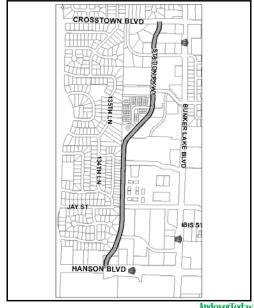
Prairie Road from Andover Boulevard to Crosstown Boulevard will be overlayed this spring/summer. Overlays are typically completed on roadways that are still in acceptable condition, which helps prolong the life of these segments. This section of roadway is mostly a rural section with ditches, except for the northern 1/3 which has curb and gutter. This roadway will have a 1 ½" overlay paved over the existing section. The northern end of this segment will have the shoulder milled off so the overlay matches the existing curb and gutter elevations. The overlay should provide another 15+ years of serviceable life to this roadway. Existing catch basins that have deteriorated as well as a 48" culvert crossing will be replaced with this project.

Station Parkway from Crosstown Boulevard to Hanson Boulevard will be milled and overlayed this spring/summer. This section of roadway has exhibited severe potholing

and wear course failure over the past several years, which have gotten progressively worse this winter. The City plans to mill off the existing wearing course (about 1 ½" thick) and correct thicker potholes, and will pave a new wearing course (1 1/2") over the remainder of the existing pavement.

The overlay projects being completed this year will be funded fully by the City's Road and Bridge Fund. This is a program that the City will continue into the future, and the City Council will be discussing the potential of assessing a portion of future overlay projects to properties that front along the improvements. Watch for future discussion on this topic at City Council meetings and further information in the City newsletter.

Please refer to the City's website under "Construction Updates" for periodic status updates on all construction projects taking place in the City. If you have questions regarding any of these projects, please contact David Berkowitz at (763) 767-5133 or Jason Law at (763) 767-5130.







ECRWSS RESIDENT Andover, MN 55304

POSTMASTER: TIME SENSITIVE MAIL





LIBRARY FOCUS: FREE SUMMER READING EXPERIENCE

Bookawocky, Anoka County Library's summer reading experience and celebration, will run June 1 to August 16, 2014. This free program is an excellent opportunity for children and teens to read, explore, and connect at the library for fun and success in school. Studies reveal that young people show learning losses when not involved in educational activities during summer vacation. However, those who participate in summer experiences like Bookawocky can begin the new school year more ready to learn.

Youth involved in Bookawocky take part in a range of interesting things related to reading and learning, from art and science activities to making pictures and writing reviews about books they read or listen to. They can then enter pictures and reviews for weekly drawings, with prizes like books and Bunker Beach, State Fair, and Minnesota Twins tickets. Online participation for prize drawings is new to this year's program.

Anoka County Library will offer free performances at branch libraries and other locations during Bookawocky as well. For more on all our summer reading activities, please visit <u>anokacountylibrary.org</u> or contact Rum River Library, 4201 6th Ave., Anoka, (763) 576-4695.

CDC WATER FLUORIDATION AWARD

The Minnesota Department of Health announced the City of Andover Water System has been awarded a Water Fluoridation Quality Award from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control (CDC). Water fluoridation is the adjustment of fluoride in the drinking water supply to a level which safely and effectively reduces tooth decay and promotes good oral health. The award recognizes those communities that maintained a consistent level of optimally fluoridated water throughout 2012.

"We can be proud that in Minnesota, communities are employing this effective public health measure," says State Oral Health Director, Merry Jo Thoele. "Studies show that fluoridation prevents tooth decay in all age groups, not just in children. So it is very important that communities continue to maintain their fluoridation levels."

Community water fluoridation has been recognized by CDC as one of the 10 great public health achievements of the 20th Century. CDC recommends water fluoridation as a safe, effective, and inexpensive method of preventing tooth decay. In fact, every \$1 invested in fluoridation saves approximately \$38 in costs for dental treatment.